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Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC)

69 W. Washington-Lower Level, Conference Room B

1/26/2017 8:00 AM | Meeting called to order by Chairman Howard Males

In Attendance

EDAC Members

- Howard Males,
Chairman
- David Day (Phone)
- Teresa Faidley
- Commissioner Jesus Garcia (Phone)
- Andrew Geer
- Graham C. Grady (Phone)
- Christopher Jang
- Michael Jasso (Proxy)
- Sharon Legenza
- Phaedra Leslie
- Pam McDonough
- Ed Paesel
- Edward Sitar
- Tony Smith
- William Towns

BED Representatives

- Veda Britt-Handy
- Sheryl Caldwell
- Susan Campbell
- Mohammed Elahi
- Barbara Maloof
- Michael McMullin
- Irene Sherr
- Jay Stewart
- Dominic Tocci
- Arthur Williams

Guests

- Kristi DeLaurentiis
South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association
- Chuck Eastwood
UIC Graduate Student
- Kevin Hynes
Melrose Storage LLC
- Christopher King
UIC Graduate Student
- Karin Norington-Reaves
Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership
- Diane Reyes
UIC Graduate Student
- Janette Samuels
Private Citizen
- Stephen Schwartz
Melrose Storage LLC

Approval of Minutes

The December 1, 2016 Minutes were approved by EDAC.

Chairman's Remarks

- Chairman Males announced that a quorum was present.
- Chairman Males opened the floor to public commentary. No members of the public made comments.
- Chairman Males introduced Kristi DeLaurentiis to everyone in attendance. Ms. DeLaurentiis is the new Executive Director of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association, replacing Ed Paesel upon his retirement. Ms. DeLaurentiis will also fill Mr. Paesel's vacancy on EDAC.
- Chairman Males introduced three UIC graduate students who are working towards master's degrees in Public Administration. The students will attend future EDAC meetings to gain an understanding of the body's functions, interview committee chairs and develop recommendations to improve operations.

Financial Tools and Incentives Action Items

Financial Tools and Incentives Committee recommended action on the following project:

Melrose Storage LLC Class 7c Application – Arthur Williams presented a summary of a Class 7c Incentive application for Melrose Storage LLC. The applicant intends to repurpose the subject property (1955 W. North Avenue, Melrose Park, IL) for reuse as traditional self-storage and ambient storage. **With Chairman Males abstaining, EDAC voted to recommend approval by the Cook County Assessor's Office for Melrose Storage LLC's Class 7c Application.**

Update on Proposed Changes to the Tax Incentive Ordinance-Susan Campbell

- Susan Campbell informed EDAC that the proposed amendment to the Tax Incentive Ordinance would be considered at the February 8, 2017 Business and Economic Development Committee. At the committee meeting, the proposed legislation would either be recommended for County Board approval or be deferred once again for further revision.

Update Regarding ON TO 2050-Elizabeth Schuh (CMAP)

- Elizabeth Schuh, a principal at CMAP, presented updates regarding the ON TO 2050 initiative, a transparent and collaborative effort involving partners and stakeholders from across the seven counties and 284 communities of northeastern Illinois. The initiative is a comprehensive plan that focuses on economic growth the advances the benefits of one thriving region. More information regarding the plan can be found at <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/onto2050>.

Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment

2/23/2017 8:00 AM 69 W. Washington, 17th Floor Conference Room

Chairman Males exited the meeting. Vice Chair Pam McDonough called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. After a motion, second, and unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.